

SHOT TO SURFACE LIKE A TORPEDO

Remarkable Feat of Midshipman Whiting Causes Sensation in Naval Circles.

ESCAPED FROM VESSEL SUBMERGED SIXTY FEET

Had Submarine Lowered to Bottom of Bay Near Cavite, Crawled Into Tube, and Suddenly Appeared Safe on Land Again.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 7.—The Navy Department has received a report of a notable performance by Midshipman Kenneth Whiting, in command of the submarine Porpoise, now in Manila. For the purpose of demonstrating the possibility of escape from a submerged submarine through a torpedo tube Midshipman Whiting, who is an expert swimmer, had his vessel lowered to the bottom of the bay near Cavite.

Far under the water, probably sixty or seventy feet, Whiting crawled into a torpedo tube. The end of the tube in the boat was closed behind him. A tube in a submarine is closed or opened on the outside by a port which is moved by powerful machinery, with in the boat. When under water there is great pressure against the port cover, and it takes a lot of power to make it swing out and upward. When it does swing there is a great rush of water, filling the tube as the torpedo flies out.

A Great Feat. Whiting, within the tube, got a hold on the port. The officers inside the vessel turned on the power and the port swung out. Whiting went with it, cleared himself of the torpedo tube and then let go, flying upward to the surface of the water. According to officers here it was a great feat. Whether or not this demonstration will ever prove of value is a question which is now being argued. In the event that men tried to escape in this manner in case of real accident one man would certainly be lost, as the plan could not be carried through unless some one remained inside the vessel to operate the port. It would be impossible for a man to crawl into a tube, close it after him and then force open the port by hand. Midshipman Whiting's experiment suggests, however, some device of a similar nature into which men might crawl, closing the opening behind them and then from inside such a tube open the port.

REVEALS BLACK HAND PLOTS

Mass of Evidence Unearthed and Laid Before Postmaster-General.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 7.—Reporting that post-office inspectors have collected sufficient evidence to convict of conspiracy in the first instance, and of misusing the mails, the eighteen Sicilians arrested in Ohio for Black Hand operations, Inspector Old-

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field laid the matter before Postmaster-General Hitchcock. The evidence includes many letters secured in the homes of members of the Black Hand Band and other letters which had been sent to intended victims demanding sums of money from \$25,000 each up, and aggregating more than \$200,000.

The Sicilians are being held for the December term of the Federal grand jury.

The inspectors say, they feel certain that two of the members of the society now under arrest can throw some light on the assassination of Lieutenant Pershing, of the New York Police Department, at Palermo, Sicily.

ROBBED BY POLICEMAN

New York Doctor Makes Startling Charge of "Hold-Up."

NEW YORK, August 7.—Dr. Van Osten Ostersdorf, a graduate of Heidelberg University and of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, in this city, reported to the police station early yesterday that he had been assaulted and robbed by a uniformed policeman. He exhibited several severe bruises. When asked to look at every policeman on duty in the precinct, he could not pick out the man whom he charged with the assault, despite his assertion that he could identify his assailant.

The story as told by Dr. Ostersdorf was that he was returning from a visit to some friends in upper Amsterdam Avenue. He said he got off an elevated train after 1 o'clock. He asked a policeman to direct him to Dominick Street. The policeman, he says, called him a "bum," struck him with his fists and club and also robbed him of \$5.

Dr. Ostersdorf has taken the matter up with Police Commissioner Baker, who has promised to continue the investigation.

HAD NARROW ESCAPE

250 Occupants of Burning Building Aroused With Difficulty.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—Two hundred and fifty inmates of the House of the Good Shepherd, in East Nineteenth street, near the East river, fled from the main building to the court yard early to-day, when a fire burned out nearly all the rooms on the second floor.

A passing policeman, who discovered the blaze, experienced great difficulty in arousing the occupants. The gates of the tall iron fence were locked, and the policeman threw stones at the heavily screened windows until a watchman was aroused.

The fire alarm was then sounded, and the girl inmates ran into the court yard in their night clothing. The firemen had to scale the fence before reaching the fire. The blaze was soon extinguished, with a loss of a few thousand dollars. There was no loss of life.

WINSTON WINNER OVER GREENSBORO

Course of National Automobile Highway South from Roanoke.

ROANOKE, VA., August 7.—The National Highway Convention, with Virginia and North Carolina delegates, met here to-day and selected the route to Rocky Mount, Martinsville and Winston-Salem. A big fight was made between Winston-Salem and Greensboro. The latter city sent a big delegation.

The convention was presided over by C. E. Michael, and E. B. Jacobs was secretary. Mayor Joel H. Cutchin welcomed the delegates to the city.

Waters, of the Atlanta Journal, said that the Roanoke convention gave the heartiest manifestation in behalf of the highway outside of New York and Atlanta.

The chairman read a paper from the Danville Chamber of Commerce asking that the highway run through that city.

The convention adopted the following resolutions:

"First—To put such route in immediate repair, for the convenience and use of the public, as well as for the use of a large number of tourists who are expected to traverse the proposed highway in October of this year, believing that a good impression and convenient and comfortable transportation over the route will result in the ultimate benefit and profit of the section through which it is projected.

"Second—To use their influence and efforts to have permanently improved this highway, or such alternate route as may be subsequently found more expedient and convenient to the greatest number of people, in order to insure the permanency of the national highway through our midst.

"Third—That a copy of these resolutions be furnished to the press and trade organizations throughout the section interested; to the officers of the Atlanta cities and counties; and to the Atlanta Journal and New York Herald."

Stirling Talks. Congressman Saunders was among the Franklin delegates, and Winston-Salem sent some of its most prominent citizens, who made stirring talks for that city. They out-talked Greensboro, and showed by facts and figures that they had the best route.

Roanoke had 41 delegates; Roanoke county, 8; Franklin county, 21; Henry county, 14; Patrick county, 8; Greensboro, N. C., 9; Winston-Salem, N. C., 37; Rockbridge county, 1; Botetourt county, 7; Rockingham county, N. C., 1; Salisbury, N. C., 1.

Cotton Mill Closes. LYNCHBURG, VA., August 7.—The Lynchburg cotton mill closed down this afternoon for three weeks and work will be resumed September 1. The mill was closed for a month last year. Six hundred operatives are out of work for the remainder of the month. Operatives who live on the company property will have house rent free during the vacation.

ELECTRICIAN IS INSTANTLY KILLED

Meets Death in Mysterious Manner at Martinsville Pump Station.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] MARTINSVILLE, VA., August 7.—Samuel C. Fontaine, a young man twenty-three years old, town electrician of Martinsville, was instantly killed while turning on the electric current at the pump-house here about 8 o'clock last night. Just how the accident occurred is a mystery, but it is supposed that it was caused by contact with a heavily charged wire or by a short circuit.

Fontaine went to the pumping station to pump the town water supply, accompanied by a friend, John Andrew Brown. He went to turn on the current, and Brown, hearing him fall, ran into the pump-house and found him lying on the floor. He pulled him away from his perilous position and received a heavy shock in doing so, but was not much injured.

Fontaine is survived by two brothers, W. M. Fontaine, of Schenectady, N. Y., and R. A. Fontaine, of Martinsville, and one sister, Miss Justina Fontaine, of Martinsville. He was a nephew of S. A. and James L. Anderson, of Richmond.

VOLIVA FACES JAIL

Successor of Dowle in Zion City Unable to Pay Big Judgment.

CHICAGO, ILL., Aug. 7.—Wilbur Glenn Voliva, of Zion City, successor to the late John Alexander Dowle, as overseer of the Christian Catholic church, may be imprisoned in Lake county jail in a few days. A judgment against him for \$10,000, entered last Thursday by Judge Wright, of Bolingbroke, in favor of Attorney Philip Mothershead, who sued Voliva for slander and libel, must be paid. Voliva must appeal the case in order for him to keep out of jail. It is said he is unable to pay the judgment.

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MEN'S	LADIES'	CHILDREN'S
\$1.00 Barefoot Sandals, extra quality, \$2.00 to \$1.00.	49c All-wool Canvas Slippers, leather soles.	25c White Canvas Oxfords, assorted sizes, that sold up to \$1.00; clean-up price, 25c.
\$1.50 Extension Soles, Elastic Sides, Street Slippers.	98c Pure White Linen Pumps and Ties, the genuine \$2.00 quality, for 98c. All sizes, A to E.	49c Pink and Blue Canvas Ankle Ties, all sizes; regular \$1.50 quality.
\$1.00 White Canvas Oxfords, solid leather soles.	\$1.00 One large table assorted kinds, values from two to three times as great.	45c Barefoot Sandals, in tan leather, sizes up to 2.
\$1.95 All regular stock Low Cut Tan Calf and Patent \$2.50 Shoes, on sale \$1.95.	\$1.49 Table Oxfords Suedes and Ankle Ties; worth double.	95c Tan Calf, New Style Barefoots, welted soles, all sizes; worth \$1.50; your pick 95c.
\$2.95 For choice \$3.50 and \$4.00 Men's Best Made Low Shoes.	\$1.95 Table \$3.00 and \$3.50 Patent and Tan Ties and Pumps.	
	\$1.95 Bronze Pumps and White Pumps in stock; worth \$3.50, A to E.	
	\$2.45 Extra fine stock Shoes, \$4.00 grades, reduced to \$2.45.	
	HOSIERY REDUCED	
	50c White Lisle and Lace, reduced to .25c	
	25c White Lace Hose, reduced to .15c	
	25c Infants' Fancy Top Sox, reduced to 10c	
	POLISHES REDUCED	
	All color Polishes for suede shoes...15c	
	Blanco White...10c	
	Blanco White, in tins...10c	
	White Liquid, 15c size...1-2c	
	10c Black Shinola...5c	
	Art Gum, per package...7-1-2c	
		BOYS'
		\$1.50 for the \$2.00 kind—Tans, Pats and Kids.
		2.00 for the \$2.50 grade.
		\$2.50 for the \$3.00 grade. Heavy soles, smooth inside. Can be worn late into the fall season.
		1.00 Barefoot Sandals, calf, heavy sole.

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THE SNEAD FAMILY REUNION IN FLUVANNA COUNTY



[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

FORK UNION, VA., August 7.—"The Sneads of Fluvanna" is the title of a book that will shortly appear. This was determined at the reunion which was held on Friday at Fork Union, and the family name was originally Sneyed. So much material had been gotten together from strictly trustworthy sources—a labor of love from one of the family name was originally Sneyed, visible to put it in permanent form.

This was not a reunion of all Sneads, only of descendants of three brothers, sons of John and grandsons of Archibald, who bought land in the Fork of Fluvanna soon after the battle of the two rivers—James and Rivanna—there were twenty-one young Sneads, seventeen of whom were in the Civil War, one member of conscription board, Dr. G. H. Snead. A number of Sneads were in the Revolutionary War. Smith Snead was a member of the Society of the Cincinnati. Some were in the War of

1812, and one, George T. Snead, in the Cuban War, and went to the Philippines. There were present at the reunion 112 descendants. Drs. George H. Snead and Dr. W. E. Hatcher made addresses. Portraits were exhibited of some who had passed away, as of Burwell W. Snead, lawyer of Charlottesville in the 60's, prominent in politics and in church relations, and of others. The old Bible, the property of the Pollards, who were wives of the three brothers, that contained date of

births in the eighteenth century, was an object of much interest. The music was of high order, the choir loft being filled by the members of the family, many of whom are specially gifted in music. The seventh generation, from Archibald, whose will was probated in 1789, was a picture sent from Birmingham of a grandson of John Newton Snead. It was a notable day, and one long to be remembered. There were many present from a distance. Captain C. G. Snead presided.

wealth's Attorney Crandal Mackey, Alexandria county; State Senator Lassiter, President Tufts, National Good Roads Association; E. Penypacker, United States Good Roads Department; St. P. Wilson, State Highway Commissioner, and others if the time will permit.

MUCH MISSIONARY WORK IS NEEDED

There Are Many Ardent Advocates of Good Roads, But Battle Is Not Yet Won—Preparing Object Lessons.

BY FRANK S. WOODSON.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

COURTLAND, VA., August 7.—The Times-Dispatch good roads and industrial car will in an hour or more cross over to Sussex county, leaving railways and telegraph lines in the distance; hence this is the last point from which I will have a chance to wire this week. The car has to-day been through what is perhaps the loveliest part of Nansemond county, where acres of peanuts are growing on the roadside and now are just beginning to show the little bloom on the vine.

Passing out of Nansemond at Lee's Mill, the car struck across a small corner of Isle of Wight, and at the town

of Franklin entered Southampton county, coming direct from there to Courtland over a good sand road that has lately been put in splendid order.

From Suffolk I came several miles out of my way as originally programmed, so as to take in the village of Whaleyville, in Nansemond, which I had been told was inhabited by some of the warmest good roads advocates in the State.

I found it just about that way, and among the warm members I met and talked to were T. O. Knight, merchant; George B. Robertson, general manager of the Jackson Bros. Company's big lumber plant; F. R. Ellnor,

president of the bank; Frank Knight, cashier; W. C. Simpson, James Vaughan, E. F. Riddick, Dr. Vann, E. A. Brothers, R. B. Hayes, B. H. Doughtie, A. D. Miller, J. N. Milteer, and J. W. Roberson.

Ardent Advocates. These men, especially Mr. Robertson and Mr. Ellnor, were such good talkers on good roads, and so filled with data on the subject, that I was glad for them to do most of the talking, and I picked up a lot of information. These men are all to the good on roads—know just how they are to get them, and when the time comes they will try to see it that Nansemond county votes and floats good roads bonds.

From Whaleyville to Franklin the roads were in good summer plight, except a two-mile stretch of deep black sand which we encountered just out of Franklin. General Vaughan tells me that this sand stretch has been the undoing of many automobiles and very many mules. However, the Chalmers-Detroit got through in good shape.

Southampton county is not ready yet for a bond issue, but some mighty good work is being done to get the people ready. C. C. Vaughan, the banker

of Franklin and chairman of the Board of Supervisors, tells me that work has commenced on twelve miles of sand-clay blend as an experiment and object-lesson, and it is believed its beauty, comfort and value will convert the people and insure a county bond issue.

On to Courtland. It was entirely unnecessary to talk up good roads to a Franklin audience, and so after an hour's informal conference with leading citizens, I pushed on to this place. Here I have met and had talks with B. F. McLeone, clerk of the courts, who is not much of a good roads man; W. J. Story, cashier of one of the banks; James E. Sebrrell, also a bank cashier; W. J. Sebrrell, Commonwealth's Attorney; W. T. McLeone, T. H. Birdsong, Dr. Reese, Rev. J. K. Walker, Hon. J. W. Williams, and others.

A number of farmers and townspeople gathered about the car, and Rev. Mr. Walker and the writer made short good roads speeches, which we are hoping did some good.

I will leave here in a short while for Sussex Courthouse and spend Sunday there, going a part of the way over the old Jerusalem Plank Road, which in old times was graded, drained and built from Petersburg to this place. General Vaughan and other prominent citizens of Southampton and Nansemond expect to see this old road, which is yet a splendid highway, made a part of a Norfolk-to-Richmond good road via Petersburg, the same to be one of the numerous good roads to connect with the capital-to-capital highway that is to be, but there is to be done in Southampton, Nansemond and Prince George counties a whole lot of missionary work before this splendid scheme can be carried through.

ARRANGEMENTS COMPLETED FOR GOOD ROADS MEETING.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] ALEXANDRIA, VA., August 7.—Arrangements have been completed for a monster mass-meeting in the interest of good roads, and particularly for the construction of a permanent highway between this city and Washington, which will be held next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock at the Young People's Building of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Interest in this proposition, recently inaugurated through the efforts of The Times-Dispatch and Washington Post's scout cars, is on the increase and the meeting promises to be a very enthusiastic one. A band of music will be present to enliven the occasion.

Speeches will be made by the following: United States Senator Filart, Representative C. C. Carlin, Common-

ONE HOUR AT FRANKLIN

Not Necessary to Talk Good Roads to People There.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] FRANKLIN, VA., August 7.—The Times-Dispatch good roads and industrial car, in charge of Frank S. Woodson, reached here at 11:30 this morning from Suffolk via Whaleyville. The car arrived here but one hour, Mr. Woodson saying it is not necessary to talk good roads to Franklin people, as they are already good road folks. However, he had interviews with C. C. Vaughan, chairman of the County Board of Supervisors, and other prominent men, and obtained a lot of information regarding Southampton county's proposed work in the direction of good roads.

The car left here at 1:30 for Courtland, the county seat.

TROLLEY CAR IN DITCH

Many Injured, but None Fatally, in Accident in New York.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—Eleven persons were injured, three seriously, when spreading rails caused a crowded trolley car on the Grove-street line in Jersey City to drop into an excavation between the tracks to-day. One end of the car collapsed and a number of the passengers, thrown together in a heap, were caught in the wreckage.

Axes had to be brought into play to extricate two men pinned under the floor of the car. At the hospital, to which the most seriously injured were taken, it was said that none were fatally hurt.